GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
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DATA ON THE PRODUCTION OF DRUGS AND PHARMACEUTICALS
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the government have developed any data on the production of drugs and pharmaceuticals in India;

(b) If so, the list of pharmaceutical companies in the country alongwith their main products with both quantity and value, State-wise;

(c) Whether the Government have imposed any rigid restrictions on the production ofdrugs and pharmaceuticals products in the country;

(d) If so, the details thereof;

(e) The details of export and import of drugs and pharmaceuticals; and

(f) The location-wise pharmaceutical industries in Tamil Nadu alongwith their contribution to the country`s production in both quantity and value?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS (SHRI SATYA BRATA MOOKHERJEE)

(a),(b) & (f) State-wise and company wise comprehensive data base on production of drugs is not maintained.

(c)&(d) No, sir, industrial licensing for all bulk drugs and formulations cleared by Drug Controller General of India has beenabolished except in a few cases.

(e) The values of India`s total import and export of drugs and medicines during1998-1999and 1999-2000 as per Foreign Trade Statistics of India as published by Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics, Calcutta are as under:

(Rs. in lakhs)

Item	1998-99	1999-2000
Import of Medicinal Pharmaceutical Products	161519.91	150230.30
Exports of Drugs, Pharmaceuticals & Fine Chemicals	625606.68	663145.07

Drugs and Pharmaceuticals are being imported mainly from China, USA, Germany,U.K., France,Switzerland, Belgium, Republic of Korea, Netherland, Italy, Japan, Denmark, Sweden, Russiaand Ireland. The exports from India are mainly to USA, Russia, Germany, Hong Kong, U.K., Nigeria, Singapore, Netherlands, Iran, Brazil, Vietnam and China.